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Wefald wins business award

By Jasmine Wilcoxson
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The K-State College of Business recognized President Jon Wefald by inducting him into the Business Leaders Hall of Fame Friday. The induction took place at the Dean's Business Advisory Council awards dinner, where Wefald was presented with the Distinguished Business Leader award.

Yar Ebadi, the business administration dean, said this award was established in 2001 to recognize friends of the College of Business Administration. These individuals have distinguished themselves from their peers in their business fields and have consistently demonstrated significant personal involvement toward enhancing the life of the college, he said.

Recipients are selected based on their career success, their individual accomplishments, and their active demonstration of friendship and support for the college and its faculty, staff and students, Ebadi said.

Individuals selected to receive the award exemplify the outstanding qualities of business leadership, Ebadi said.

"These leaders purposefully invest their time, treasure, and talent to advance the goals and objectives of the College of Business Administration and Kansas State University," he said.

Wefald has increased the value of K-State during the last 22 years in a way that only a top executive can help increase the value of their corporation, Ebadi said.

Subsequently, the value of our graduates' education has multiplied as a result of Wefald's leadership. However, Wefald has not only increased the value of the university, he has transformed the university to a nationally respected university in every area: academics, research, athletics, physical plant, the list is endless, he said.

"Wefald definitely is fit for this award," said William Trenkle, Jr., chairman of the CBA Dean's Business Advisory Council. "He's taken the most difficult jobs, and has handled them with the most superb ability."

Trenkle said Wefald comes into contact with several different people each day and has taken this university to heights more so than anyone has ever done before.

Past hall of fame inductees and recipients of this award are Dennis von Waaden and John R. Graham, recipients in 2001; H. Philip Howe in 2002, Doug Hill in 2003; Rand Berney, Paul Edgerley and L. W. (Bill) Stolzer in 2004; Stephen Lacy in 2005; J. M. Thies in 2006; and Jonathan Baum in 2007. All the recipients of the award are living and active in

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Pickup artists

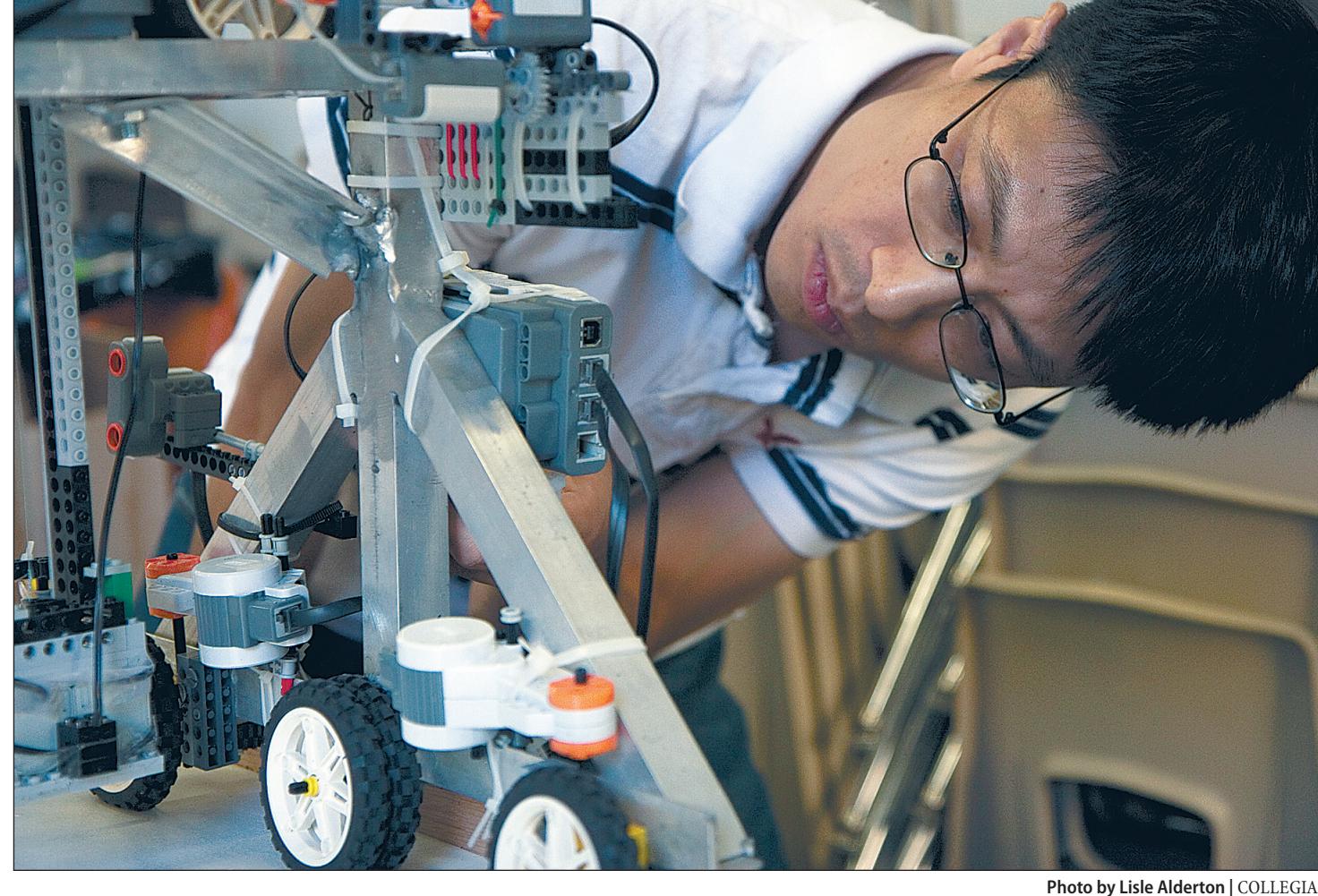


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Wie Han meddles with the machine he helped build. The robot is supposed to pick up trees, represented by the red poles, and harvest them, while avoiding the bare unharvestable trees represented by the plain wooden poles.

K-State students create robot out of Legos

By Jelani Yancey
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said.

At 8-feet-wide and built mostly of Legos, the K-State Robotics Team's contraption looks more like an oil tanker than an Optimus Prime. Nevertheless, the robot proved itself best-suited for the task at hand, taking first place this summer in the Student Robotics Competition at a convention of the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers.

At the convention, which took place in Rhode Island June 29 – July 2, robots were assigned to travel through a simulated forest built on a table 8-feet-wide. The robots were to collect "harvestable" logs, marked by red paint and a large diameter, and to disregard slimmer, unpainted wooden sticks, said Naiquan Zhang, professor of biological and agricultural engineering.

For K-State's entry, the team built a gantry that spanned the width of the forest. As the gantry moved over the forest, it released claws that were set only to grapple the wide trees. It would then dump the trees into a separate robot-driven wheel-borne bin, said Alan Bauerly, senior in agricultural technology and management.

Most of the robots were made of Lego Mindstorm parts, Bauerly said. The Mindstorm pieces also came with tactile and light sensors. Though the machine was large, the design was simple to assemble, he explained.

"That was the beauty of using Legos," he

said.

The hardest part of the construction process was programming the computer processors to communicate with each other. For that, the team networked the processors on a Bluetooth connection, said Wei Han, graduate student in bio-agricultural engineering.

Because of its design, the gantry could harvest four logs at once. By the time the team's five-minute time limit was up, the machines had harvested 16 logs without human interruption, Han said.

"We went for an all-or-nothing approach," Bauerly said.

Texas A&M's robot, the runner-up, only managed to harvest seven trees, Han said. While the mini-Megatron maneuvered through the forest, its sensors couldn't adjust to keep up with its movements. Several times, Texas team members manually corrected the robot's course, Han said.

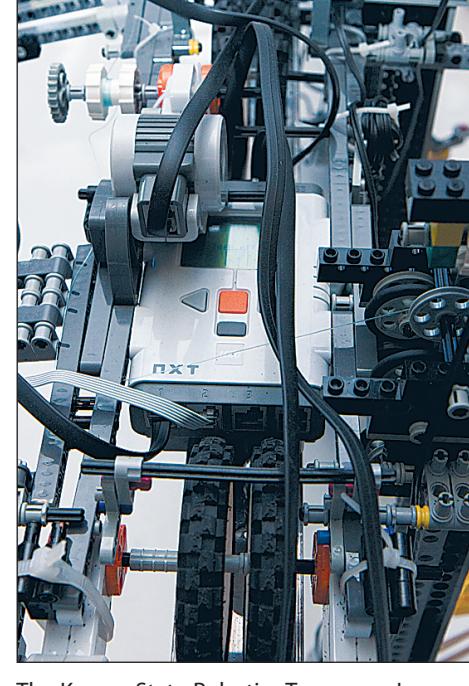
"It looked drunk when it started going," Bauerly said. "It had so many sensors it wasn't even funny."

Though not practical for a vast forest, the K-State robot's harvesting method is effective in an orchard or a greenhouse, said Zhang, faculty adviser for the robotics team.

Zhang hopes this contest encourages agricultural engineers to seek more proficiency with modern technology.

"Agricultural technology is considered by many to be old technology," said Zhang.

"We are trying to use information from many fields to be more productive and less damage."



The Kansas State Robotics Team uses Legos as the base of their machines. The actual robot has five receivers, one above the four limit of the bluetooth-based Lego robots technology. The team superseded this problem by hooking up a light sensor to control two of the artificial units and syncing these two receivers to the third.

4 comedians eliminated from Last Laugh competition

By Joel Aschbrenner
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

ing to impress the crowd and a group of judges. The judges eliminated four comedians at the end of the night, leaving their 13 favorite to compete for the next stage of the competition.

While several of the comedians earned huge laughs, many couldn't win over the audience, or even break out from under the crowd noise.

"It takes a lot of bravery to get up here and get in front of a crowd that big," said J.C. King, one of show's hosts. "I was up there for a little while and it was tough. I didn't think there would be that many hecklers."

The crowd filed in before the 9 p.m. show and was lined out the



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David Graham, comedian, plays the character Forest Pimp during his comedy routine last Thursday night at the Kathouse Lounge. Graham was the headliner that night with comedian Tony Vihn as his opener.

Manhattan Matters

Check out Manhattan Matters advanced election coverage on the www.kstatecollegian.com and tune into local channel 8 at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. today and Friday to watch the entire Manhattan Matters program produced by K-State students.

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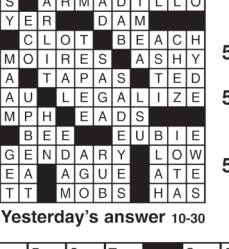
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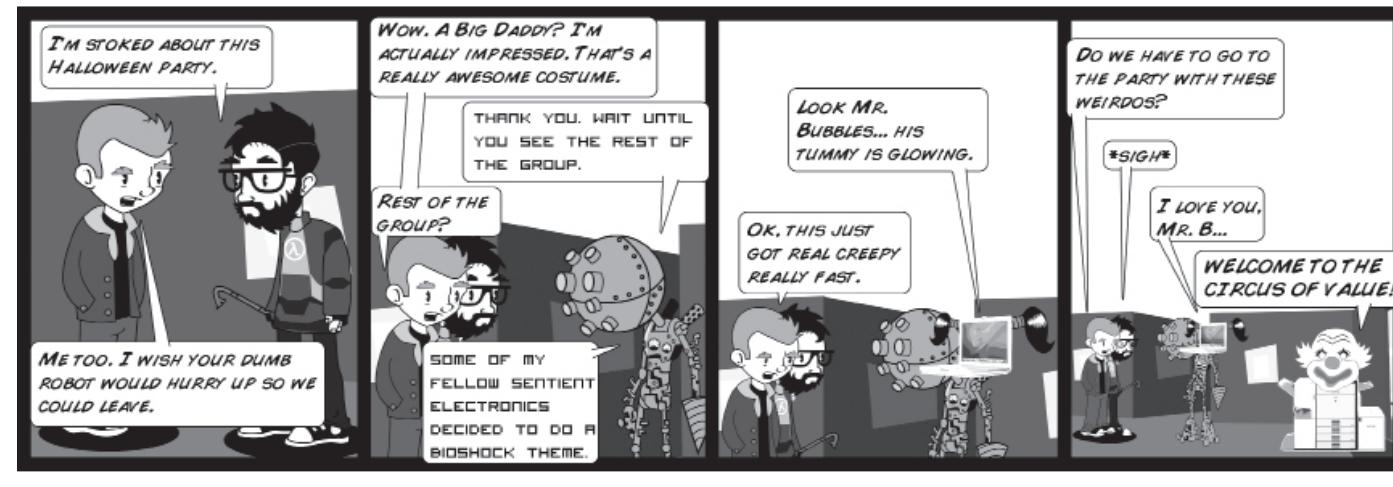
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**THE BLOTER**
ARRESTS IN RILEY COUNTY**TUESDAY**

Darryl Dewayne Amos, 8949 University Park Road, was arrested at 7:18 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$140.

Travis Lee Hartwick, 1122 Clafin Road, Apt. 109, was arrested at 11:08 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$30.

Shanta Renee Bailey, 921 N. 11th St., was arrested at 2:53 p.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$500.

Richard Stacy Branch Jr., Axtell, Kan., was arrested at 6:20 p.m. for probation violation, possession of controlled substances, and prohibited use or possession of simulated controlled substances and drug paraphernalia. Bond was set at \$6,000.

Tara Lene Drew, Leonardville, Kan., was arrested at 7:20 p.m. for battery. Bond was set at \$100.

Jeremy Michael Spaur, 4240 Kaw Road, was arrested at 7:50 p.m. for theft. Bond was set at \$195.97.

Raymond Lloyd Gallant, Leonardville, Kan., was arrested at 8:45 p.m. for battery and endangering a child. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Anthony Devon Roberts, 8670 E. Hwy. 24, Apt. A, was arrested at 12:01 a.m. for unlawfully arranging sales or purchases of controlled substances using a communication facility; unlawful acts relating to sale or distribution of opiates, opium, narcotic drugs or designated stimulants; and taxation. Bond was set at \$100,000.

Kevin Cordell Scott, 2613 Kirkwood Drive, was arrested at 2:05 a.m. for prohibited use or possession of simulated controlled substances and drug paraphernalia and unlawful acts relating to possession of depressants, stimulants or hallucinogenic drugs or other substances. Bond was set at \$2,000.

THE PLANNER | CAMPUS BULLETIN BOARD

Intramural entries for Board Game Bonanza will be accepted through today in the office at the Peters Recreation Complex. Sign up for a fun evening of Monopoly, Connect Four, Jenga and Scattergories as an individual or team of four people. For more information, call 785-532-6980 or go to www.recservices.k-state.edu.

The Pre-Vet Club will have a meeting at 7:30 p.m. today in Frick Auditorium, located in Mosier Hall.

Career and Employment Services will sponsor Tips to Evaluate Job Offers at 4 p.m. today in K-State Student Union 213. For more information, go to www.k-state.edu/ces.

Career and Employment Services will sponsor Work the Education Career Fair at 6 p.m. Monday in K-State Student Union 213. For more information, go to www.k-state.edu/ces.

The influenza vaccine is available at Lafene Health Center. Flu vaccine clinics are scheduled for Thursday and Nov. 6, 13 and 20, or until supplies are depleted. Please refer to Lafene's Web site, www.k-state.edu/lafene, for vaccine dates/times and info.

Career and Employment Services will sponsor a Dining Etiquette Workshop at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 6 in the Derby Dining Center Gold Room. The workshop is designed to prepare students for interviews and business meetings conducted over meals. Reservations and advance payment must be made by Friday by calling 785-532-6506 or going to Holtz 100. The cost is \$7.50 per person or one meal exchange with a K-State student meal plan. Professional business attire is required at the event.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of

the doctoral dissertation of Valeriy Kolesnikov at 3 p.m. Nov. 3 in Nichols 236.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Lucas Baker at 11:15 a.m. Nov. 5 in Throckmorton 2002.

Rec Services presents Healthy Women Workshop from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Nov. 8. This is a free workshop to learn tips about introductory lifting techniques and health benefits of adding weight lifting to your workout routine. It's free for K-State students and Rec members. Sign up in the administrative office by Nov. 7. For more info, call 785-532-6980.

Manhattan High School Performing Arts presents the madcap Roaring 20s musical "Thoroughly Modern Millie" at 7 p.m. on Nov. 11, 12, 13 and 15 in Rezac Auditorium on the Manhattan High School West Campus. Adult tickets are \$7 and \$5 for students. Tickets go on sale Wednesday. Call 785-587-2117 for more information.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Zhongwen Tang at 3 p.m. Nov. 17 in Kramer 120.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Cris Ugolini at 1 p.m. Nov. 18 in Cardwell 119.

The Student Organization for Cultural Studies Student Film Festival will be at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 20 in K-State Student Union 212. Admission is free. The deadline to submit films in either the "polished film" or "24-hour film challenge" category is Nov. 3. Film submission forms are available at www.k-state.edu/socs or contact Ashley Ortiz at aortiz@ksu.edu.

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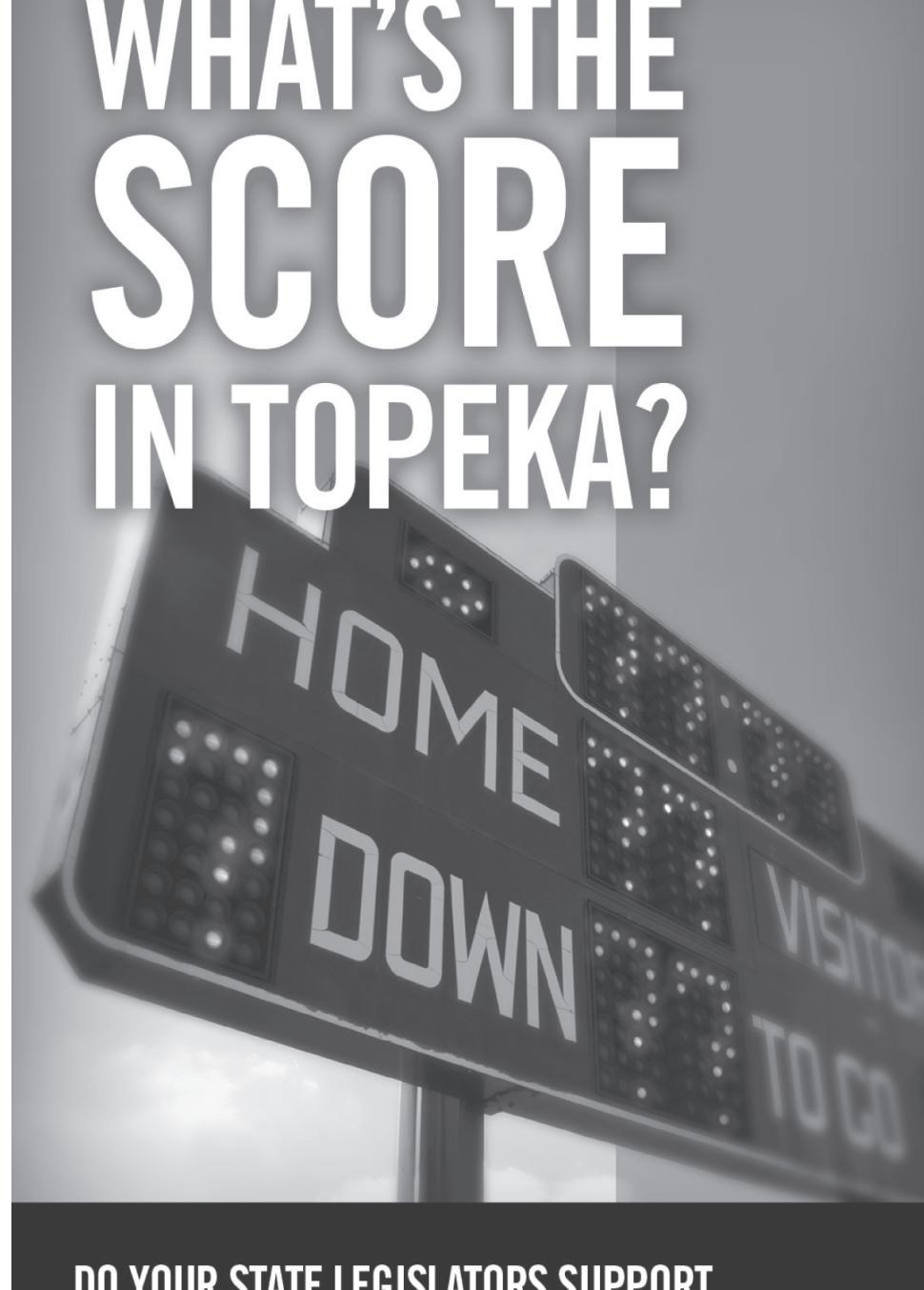
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Dodgeball, volleyball offered in winter

By Frank Male
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The Manhattan Parks and Recreation Department introduced online enrollment for sponsored activities.

"Now we're ready to test it out, and I'm excited we can offer this to the community," said Debbie Dugan, Administrative Supervisor. "It'll be interesting to see if it will increase enrollment with people able to enroll at home in their pajamas."

Team sports offered in the winter include dodgeball, volleyball and basketball.

The enrollment system will be tested with youth basketball this month and should be ready for full implementation for January adult sports, including dance lessons.

Last year, about 400 children participated in the basketball season.

Offering enrollment on the Internet is meant to make the process more transparent and simpler for players and parents. It will be possible to browse activity options, and signing up and paying for activities can be done in the familiar online "shopping cart" method.

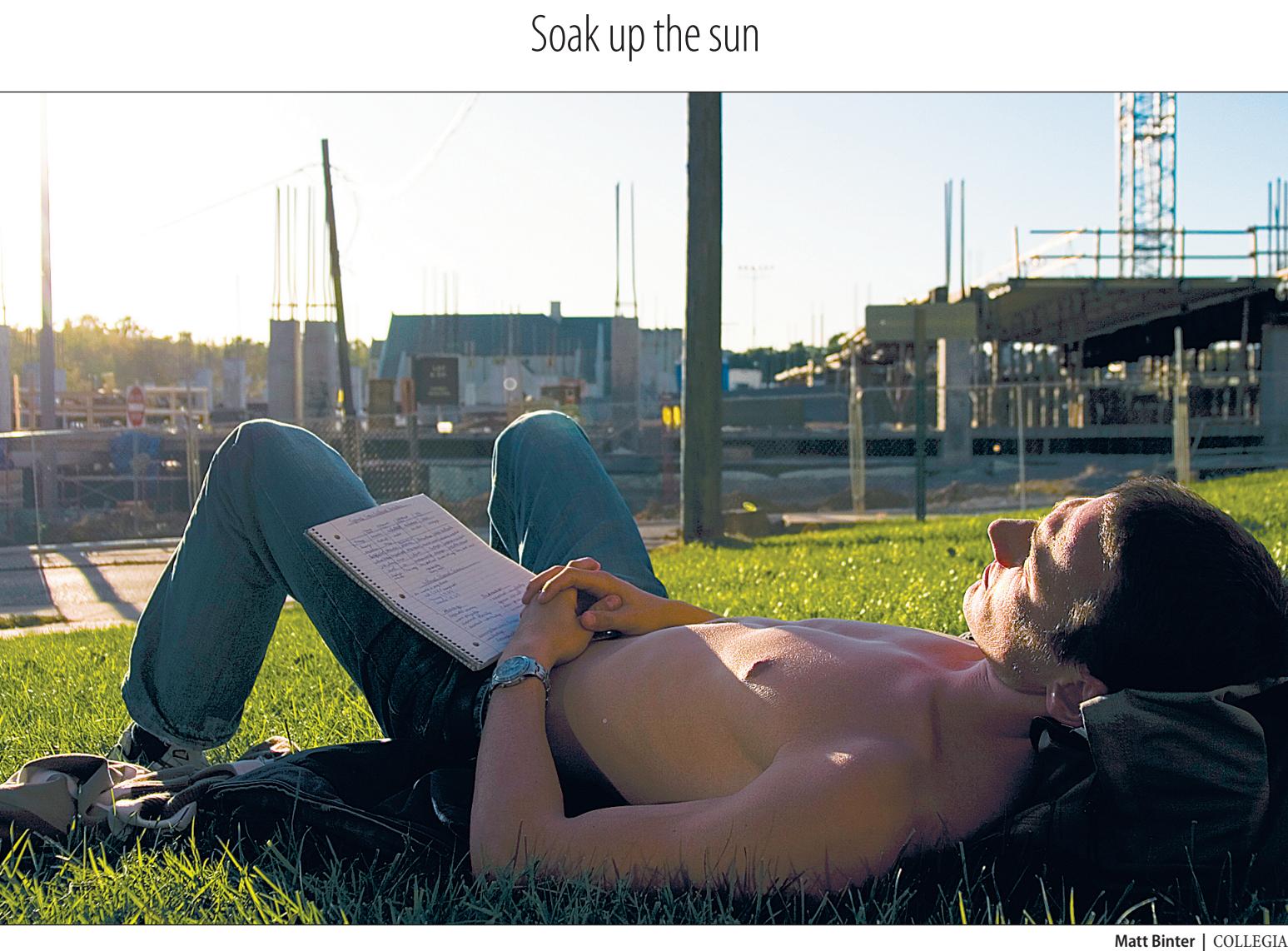
The option is provided through the official Web site at <https://rt.manhattan.ks.us>.

SGA to vote on allocations for 5 groups

By Whitney Hodgin
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Student Governing Association will vote to allocate funding from the Educational Opportunity Fund Committee to five organizations from Adult Students Services, International Student Center and the College of Education tonight at its meeting in the K-State Student Union.

The creation of a special committee to study the faculty evaluation process will also be voted on. The committee will be responsible for researching and implementing a revised version of the current faculty evaluation process to ensure all K-State students have an equal opportunity to evaluate their professors each semester.



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Felix Przioda, senior in business management, studies for his international management exam and relaxes in the sun outside of Calvin Hall Wednesday afternoon. Przioda is an international student from Germany at K-State for this semester.

Obama goes primetime with 30-minute ad

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SUNRISE, Fla. — Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama plunked down \$4 million for a campaign-closing television ad Wednesday night and summoned voters to "choose hope over fear and unity over division" in Tuesday's election. Republican John McCain derided the event as a "gaudy, feel-good commercial," paid for with broken promises.

"America, the time for change has come," Obama said in the final moments of the unusual ad, a blend of videotaped moments and a live appearance before thousands in Sunrise, Fla.

"In six days we can choose an economy that rewards work and creates jobs and fuels prosperity starting with the middle class," Obama said.

The 30-minute ad, aired on CBS, NBC, Fox and several cable networks, came days from the end of a race in which Obama holds the lead in polls nationally and in most key battleground states as he bids to become the first black president.

And while it is unusual for candidates to acknowledge the possibility of defeat, Republican running mate Sarah Palin said she intended to remain a national figure even if the ticket loses next week. "I'm not doin' this for naught," she told ABC News in an interview.

Republicans and even some Democrats said the race was tightening as it neared the end. Although Obama made no mention of McCain in his paid television ad, both men sharpened their rhetoric during the day.

McCain, in Florida, argued that Obama lacks "what it takes to protect America from terrorists" as he sought to shift attention away from the economy.

"The question is whether this is a man who has what it takes to protect America from Osama bin Laden, al-Qaida and the other great threats in the world," he said. "He has given no reason to answer in the affirmative."

Obama, in North Carolina, said if, "Sen. McCain is elected, 100 million Americans will not get a tax cut ... your health care benefits will get taxed for the first time in history ... we'll have another president who wants to privatize part of your Social Security."

For weeks now, the race has tilted Obama's way as the two men traverse traditionally Republican states — Obama angling for a sizable triumph and McCain hoping to win the White House in a close finish.

Associated Press-GfK polls taken within the past several days showed Obama ahead in four states that supported President Bush in 2004 and essentially even with McCain in two others.

A separate survey suggested even McCain's home state of Arizona was not safely in his column.

The 30-minute campaign commercial, purchased at a cost that campaign aides put at roughly \$4 million, not only marked Obama's attempt to seal his case with the electorate, but also underscored his enormous financial advantage in the race.

He has outraised McCain by far after first committing — and then renegeing — on a pledge to limit spending to the \$84 million available under federal matching funds.

Obama used his commercial to pledge a rescue plan for the middle class in tough times. "I will not be a perfect president," he said. "But I can promise you this — I will always tell you what I think and where I stand."

Across 30 minutes, the ad blended views

of Obama speaking in a setting that resembled the Oval Office, at the Democratic National Convention and elsewhere as well as scenes of Americans discussing their economic and health care troubles.

His wife, Michelle, and his two daughters had cameos, and there were photos of his black father from Kenya and white mother from Kansas.

McCain sought to blunt Obama's campaign closing pitch, lacking the funds to match it.

"He's got a few things he wants to sell you: He's offering government-run health care ... an energy plan guaranteed to work without drilling ... and an automatic wealth spreader that folds neatly and fits under any bed," McCain told an audience in Florida.

The Republican National committee on Wednesday unveiled a new ad that seeks to raise doubts about Obama's lack of executive experience. The ad will begin airing Thursday in Ohio, Indiana, Virginia and Florida markets.

"Would you go under with a surgeon who has never operated?" an announcer says. "Can you hand your nation to a man who has never been in charge of anything? Can you wait while he learns?"

Earlier in the campaign, former Democratic rival Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton as well as McCain sought to raise doubts about Obama's relatively thin resume on foreign policy and national security matters.

In response, Obama traveled last summer to Iraq, Afghanistan and Europe, where he met with world leaders. Later, he tapped Sen. Joseph Biden, who has long experience in foreign policy, as his vice presidential running mate.

More recently, he won an endorsement from former Secretary of State Colin Powell.

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Digging deeper

Bush administration creates problem for future president

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On Monday, the government of Syria lashed out in the press against the U.S. military. The previous day, four American helicopters went on a raid and flew eight miles into Syrian airspace to shoot and kill several civilians. Those killed include a father, his three children, a farm guard, his wife and a fisherman, according to BBC News.

Syria's Foreign Minister, Walid Muallem, is adamant about getting the word out – he believes it was not an accident. At a news conference in London, Muallem said the raid on the town of Abu Kamal was not a mistake. After speaking with David Miliband, UK Foreign Secretary, Muallem said, "We consider this criminal and terrorist aggression. We put the responsibility on the American government."

He later went on to say, "All of the victims are civilians – Syrian, unarmed, and they were on the Syrian territories." The Syrian government is claiming that by law, the American soldiers

committed an act of terrorism. "Killing civilians, in international law, means terrorist aggression," Muallem said.

The Syrian government is more than upset about the actions taken by the U.S.

Muallem is holding discussions with Iraqi officials in further investigation of the U.S. military.

An unnamed U.S. official told the AFP News Agency, "Look, when you've got an opportunity, an important one, you take it." He said they had mounted a "successful" raid against foreign militants that posed a threat to the operations in Iraq.

The raid came just shortly after U.S. troops were sent to redouble the efforts of securing the Syrian border, which has been called an "uncontrolled" gateway for militants coming into Iraq.

Though it has yet to be confirmed, an anonymous counterterrorism official told The Associated Press that their target was the Abu Ghadiyah network. Within that network, Badran Turki Hishan Al Mazidih was among those killed in the raid and supposedly headed the network.

According to The AP, hundreds of Syrians showed up at a victim's funeral to shout anti-American slogans. Not only does it further hurt U.S. relations with Syria, but it also sheds light on the U.S. military's instability to rest of the world.

The U.S. military has been in hot water before with instances like



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the inappropriate behavior at Guantanamo Bay, but this time, such mistakes might not be taken lightly. Because the victims were obviously unarmed, it sheds extremely negative light on an already questionable war situation. Though it is a war, extensive investigation should be taken to see if the Syrian border was purposely crossed.

This is just another one of the many holes in the boat that the next American president will have to plug. The Syrian government already has said it looks forward to working with the next president. The United States needs to better its image to the international community.

Anthony Cordesman, a Middle East expert with the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said "Public opinion is already very strongly against the U.S. and 'anti' any U.S. role or interference."

Many Middle Eastern civilians and governments are outraged by the current U.S. administration's tendencies to cross state borders without permission or after being told not to do so. Hopefully, talks can pursue after the U.S. presidential election that will brighten the international communities outlook of the United States.

Nick A. Wilson is a sophomore in political science. Please send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu.

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When you walk across Manhattan Ave., press the flipping button.

People making out on Petticoat Lane: get a room, it's disgusting.

Scooter Boy is a Beta Sigma Psi.

To the tall, blonde girl with sexy glasses who is always in the library: we should date.

Fourum, your sex is on fire, and I'm not so sure if that's a good thing.

To the ridiculously good-looking blonde girl on campus with a jacket that resembles mine: will you marry me?

To the boy that wants the blonde cheerleader's name: there's 15 of us. Pick one.

Happy 21st birthday, Tyler. You're the cheese to my macaroni.

Hi, I'm Colt McCoy.

Hey, Fourum, I just wanted to complain that my adviser didn't show up to my appointment that she scheduled.

Adam Pham, your article — rock on. Way to go.

To the people on Thurston who have pumpkins carved that say "whiskey," "drink a beer," and "throw up on our porch": you're my heroes.

All the lint in the dryer vents is purple. Figures.

King is categories, not questions. Silly Fourum.

KU created butt sex.

The biggest mistake K-State ever made was hiring Ron Prince.

Another SHAPE shirt banned before its time.

Is it a bad thing that my friend's cough medicine makes her feel drunk?

I just found a white ferret, if you want it, call the Fourum — or if it's yours.

Don't forget, it's No Breakfast Thursday.

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Religious values should not be ignored in politics

JESSICA
ULRICH

The role of religion in politics is always a touchy subject. However, with the presidential election drawing near, it is increasingly common to hear or read statements that urge the population not to let religious values influence political decisions.

Often these mandates will make reference to upholding the "wall of separation" between church and state.

What some people don't know, however, is that the phrase, "wall of separation," is not actually written anywhere in the constitution.

Instead, the phrase was penned by Thomas Jefferson in a letter to the Danbury Baptist Association of Connecticut.

In this letter, Jefferson talks about the right of people to practice their religion free from governmental control – as is outlined in the First Amendment of the Constitution.



Molly Miller | COLLEGIAN

He is not, as some believe, also stating the opposite: that religion should have nothing to do with matters of state.

Despite these facts, it is common for people to immediately ignore a person who is speaking about politics from a religious viewpoint, based on the assumption that religious people are intolerant, narrowminded and prone to pressuring those who will listen into accepting their beliefs. Religious people are often thought to ar-

rogantly suggest that their faith gives them the authority to comment on other's affairs. But these qualities, while sometimes present, are not limited to those with religious beliefs.

The truth about politics is that they unearth and are driven by people's core values and fundamental beliefs about the world.

No one comes to the table with completely untainted values. Instead, each individual is influenced by something, be it philosophy, science, the family, the environment, the be-

lief in universal truth or the struggle for hedonistic power.

Religion, likewise, is a factor that influences many people's beliefs about the world. But the fact that one person's values are deeply effected by devout Judaism in no way makes his ideas less essential to the good of the country than someone whose values stem from extensive study of Aristotle or C. Wright Mills. Both are important, personal beliefs which should be heard and tak-

en seriously if we as Americans really believe in democracy.

Also, those who speak up about the way things "ought to be," whether they are Roman Catholic or atheist, essentially are saying their ideas about the world are superior to those of others. It is not only the religious who sometimes push their beliefs on others, it is everyone. We all suggest we know the best way to do something when we support one policy above the rest.

Finally, to tell someone whose values are drawn from religious beliefs they should not speak about or influence issues of state is doing exactly what everyone is so afraid religious people will do – refuse to allow others the ability to choose and act upon what is important to them, according to their personal values, and essentially denying people the very freedom Thomas Jefferson was trying to protect when he first wrote about the "wall of separation."

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University, Manhattan should try to book more mature comedians for adult audiences

Finding entertainment in a college town is as easy as going to the social district or walking to the student union. Concerts and theatrical productions give a campus and a town a cultural edge over most other cities.

Some of the most respected scholars and leaders have visited K-State since the Landon Lec-

ture Series started, and this year has been no different. While these presentations are once-in-a-lifetime opportunities, college entertainment is more than just music and theater.

Last week's performance by Capitol Steps was an excellent example of alternate entertainment. Wednesday's stand-up comedy competition at the Kathouse

Lounge was also an interesting way for students and residents to spend an evening.

Most students at K-State are adults, and as adults we are able to handle more mature entertainment. Stand-up comedians like Lewis Black, Dane Cook and Brian Reagan are very popular among college students, and K-State would be wise

to consider inviting comedians like them to come to Manhattan.

Students appreciate all of the guests who come to campus, but mixing up the events on campus from time to time would be welcomed. There is a stand-up comedian for every taste, it's just a matter of contacting and booking them. This should be no problem.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Protesters need to focus on real issues

Editor,

I was sad to see the "Right to Life group protests abortion at Life Chain event" article in the Oct. 27 Collegian that was all rhetoric and containing no real information. Abortion is an issue that affects millions of women every year – and standing on street corners telling people they're "killing babies" gets the country nowhere.

The Guttmacher Institute published a new study on abortion facts in July. They found that half of all pregnancies in the U.S. every year are unintended – and a majority of the women who do have an abortion already have at least one child.

As women, we know what is best for ourselves and families. These "pro-life" groups are promoting policies that seek to take away access to a safe, legal medical proce-

dure and turn it into the situation pre-January 1973.

Then, abortion was by no means rare, but instead of occurring in licensed medical facilities, complications from unsafe, unregulated procedures were common. The pro-choice movement in no way wants to promote abortion – instead, we are working on comprehensive sex-ed programs that will teach contraception, which is not allowed to be taught in Kansas schools, and abstinence as an option, but not a mandate.

According to the Guttmacher Institute, 95 percent of Americans have sex before marriage. A healthy view of sex and reproduction is critical to a healthy society. Let's focus on the real issues here – making sure women and men have the access to health care that allows them to access procedures necessary for

their well-being and family desires.

Let's work on making sure every child is well cared for, that every person can have as many or as few children as they desire, that everyone has access to information on contraception if they want to use it, and reducing STD rates.

Instead of standing on street corners, think of what all those people at the protest could have spent their time on instead: teaching underprivileged children to read, teaching art and music, being foster parents, mentoring local children or working with the United Way.

There's a lot of work to be done in this world – let's all do that instead of taking other people's rights away.

Erin Doughty
PRESIDENT, STUDENTS FOR CHOICE

11 campuses ban Kimberly-Clark products for deforestation practices

By Brandon Steinert
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Eleven campuses have banned Kimberly-Clark paper products for its deforestation practices and lack of recycled material used in its products.

Various environmental activist groups, like GreenPeace and the Natural Resources Defense Council, have accused Kimberly-Clark of clear-cutting acres of valuable forest area in Canada.

Only eight buildings at K-State use rolls of Scott paper towels, a Kimberly-Clark brand, in their bathrooms. Among the huge stack of disposable bathroom tissues in the store room at Dykstra Hall, only a small portion came from Kimberly-Clark.

A majority of products used by K-State are from Georgia Pacific, which boasts using 20-percent recycled material to make the toilet paper distributed at bathrooms across campus.

Ben Champion, director of sustainability, said he's looking into "green purchasing" but still has a long way to go.

"Purchasing at the university is kind of a complicated picture," Champion said. "There are some things that are purchased centrally and other prod-

ucts are purchased on a department-by-department basis."

Champion said he's working on a set of guidelines for purchasing sustainable products at K-State to outline different qualities to look for, but it's still in the planning phase.

Kris Fulkerson, procurement officer for K-State Facilities, said the additional cost of the more environmentally friendly products wouldn't fit the budget provided by K-State, and all the products would have to be ordered from a company contracted by the State of Kansas.

The problem with switching to more green products isn't only the cost of the paper, said Warren Berg, supervisor at K-State Custodial Services.

The battery-operated paper towel dispensers cost \$50 or more and would have to be replaced if K-State switched companies. None of the paper-towel rolls are compatible with other companies' dispensers.

Berg said the Department of Facilities has been trying to "go green" for four or five years and several green cleaning products have been adopted. The primary cleaning substance used is hydrogen peroxide, which is considered environmentally friendly by the Environmental Protection Agency.

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OU, Texas national title tilt possible



JOEL JELLISON

Remember that game between Texas and Oklahoma a couple weeks ago? You know, the one where most people expected the Sooners to roll over the Longhorns and continue on the path to a national title?

Well, Oklahoma's national title hopes are still alive, and the No. 1 Longhorns: they are obviously still in it.

But imagine this: what if both teams win out the remainder of their pre-bowl schedules? If each team wins its next handful of games and the Longhorns take the Big 12 conference title game, it could be Red River Showdown part deux.

It's not much of a stretch really. The Sooners have the No. 3 offense in the nation with almost 550 yards per game, and Texas is right behind them at No. 9 with just less than 500 yards a game.

Scoring wise, Oklahoma ranks second while the Longhorns round out the top-five teams in fifth. Both teams are scoring more than 45 points a contest.

The road for Oklahoma might be even tougher than it is for Texas. The Sooners will need losses from both Alabama and Penn State, the two teams between them and the Longhorns. If they lose, and Oklahoma can finish off the toughest part of its Big 12 schedule with Oklahoma State and Texas Tech, it will be up to Texas.

The journey for the Longhorns will go as follows: beat Texas Tech, don't do anything stupid the next three weeks against Baylor, KU and Texas A&M, and then beat the Big 12 North winner, likely Missouri, in the conference title game.

Truthfully, a game between Oklahoma and Texas might be the best scenario for the title game. Texas seems to outmatch Penn State and Alabama, but only for one reason – the strength of the overall conference.

The competition has been tough with four teams from the southern half of the conference reaching the Top 10, and KU and Missouri entertaining the Top 25 throughout the year.

If they do meet in a national title, who will be the X-factor causing one team to take the edge? Just like in the first matchup, Colt McCoy, possibly the Heisman Trophy winner at that point in the season, could be the player who makes the biggest plays.

McCoy has 2,285 passing yards this season and 21 touchdowns in eight games, with 412 rushing yards for another seven scores.

Or maybe it will be the Sooners rushing duo of DeMarco Murray and Chris Brown. The two have combined for more than 1,200 yards and 17 touchdowns.

If the Sooners hook up with the Longhorns again, we're sure to see some real fireworks again. And maybe, just maybe, the teams can recreate the excitement of the BCS Championship game the last time Texas was a part of it – their 2005 win against Reggie Bush, Matt Leinert and USC.

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Wildcats oust Texas A&M in 5 games at Ahearn

By Justin Nutter
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

In the past few weeks, five-game matches have become a regular scenario for the Wildcats.

After seeing just one match go the distance before the month of October, No. 16 K-State (19-4, 9-3 Big 12 Conference) has been taken to the limit in five of its last eight contests. That span includes the Wildcats' 3-2 victory over Texas A&M (10-12, 5-7 Big 12) Wednesday night at Ahearn Field House.

Neither team pulled away for the majority of the match's opening game, which featured 16 ties and seven lead changes. K-State jumped out to an early 4-1 lead, but the Aggies scored three straight to even the score.

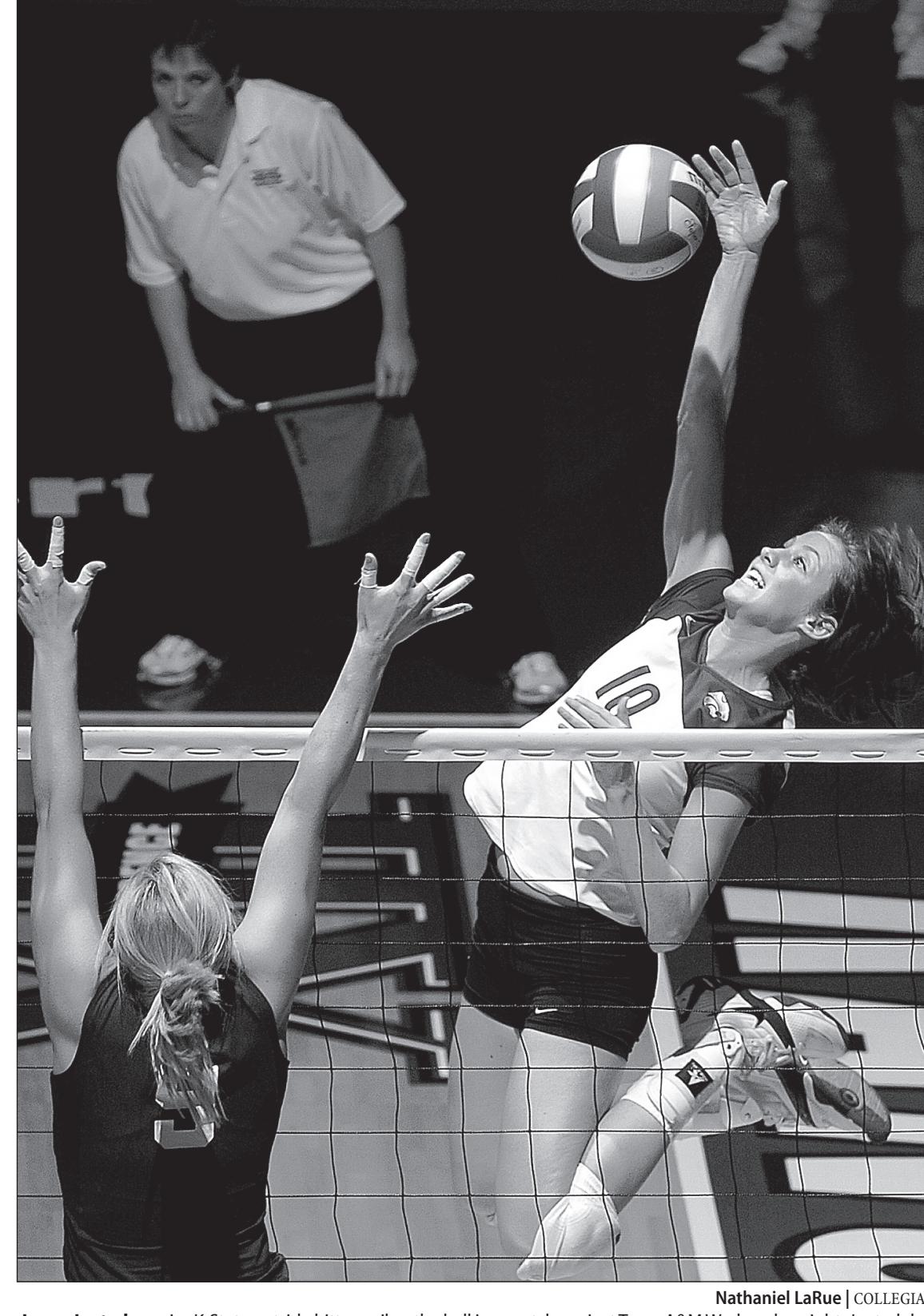
The brief lead was the only time either squad led by more than two in the game. After trading several points, Texas A&M scored the final three to take the game, 25-23.

The Wildcats responded, catching fire in the second game. Texas A&M took a 2-1 lead early, but that was the last time they led the game. K-State used a series of short runs throughout to slowly bury the Aggies before ending on an 8-2 run to even the match with a 25-21 win.

Fueled by its momentum from the second game, K-State was again strong in the third. The Wildcats fell behind, 1-3, but hung with the Aggies and eventually took their first lead of the game at 15-14. Texas A&M evened the score several times but could never reclaim the lead as K-State held on for a 25-21 win and a 2-1 lead on the night.

Although the Wildcats appeared to have all the momentum after reeling off two straight wins, they weren't able to close the door as the Aggies responded in the match's fourth game. Like most of the match, neither team could gain control of the game until midway through the match when Texas A&M jumped out to a 19-14 lead. K-State went on a short 3-0 run to cut the lead to two, but that's as close as they got as the Aggies finished off the Wildcats, 25-19.

As they have for much of the season, the Wildcats came through in the fifth and final game of the match. Texas A&M scored the first point, but K-State responded with a 4-1 run



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Jenny Jantsch, senior K-State outside hitter, spikes the ball in a match against Texas A&M Wednesday night. Jantsch has had a total of 180 points this season with an average of 2.07 points per set.

to put the Aggies away for good. Texas A&M kept the score close for most of the game, but a late 8-3 run by the Wildcats propelled them to a 15-9 win.

After the match, coach Suzie Fritz said she was pleased with the outcome, despite the close score.

"That's the most fun I think I've seen my team have playing volleyball," said Fritz, who is now just two wins from tying the school's all-time mark. "We played loose, we played confident, we played well really for a good majority of the match, minus a few ebbs and flows. I thought [Texas A&M] played

well. I thought it was a really good volleyball match."

Fritz said she was exceptionally happy with the effort put forth by seniors Megan Farr and Nataly Korobkova.

"[Megan] put some unreal moves on a couple of people tonight," said Fritz. "She's 5-9 and she's further over the net than any 6-3 player I've ever had. In so many ways, I like the way Nataly played tonight. Not just from an execution perspective, but the variety that she had in her shot selection I thought was tremendous."

Korobkova, as well as fellow outside hitter Rita Liliom,

led the Wildcats with 19 kills each. Senior outside hitter Jenny Jantsch and junior middle blocker Kelsey Chipman were both just shy of tallying double-digit kills, as they finished the match with nine apiece. Texas A&M was paced by Mary Batis, Sarah Ammerman and Jennifer Banse, who tallied 19, 15 and 14 kills, respectively. As a team, the Wildcats out-killed the Aggies, 64-59.

The K-State volleyball team will continue its three-match homestand when the Wildcats welcome in-state rival Kansas at 7 p.m. Saturday at Ahearn Field House.

SUNFLOWER SHOWDOWN

Players reflect on upcoming rivalry game with KU

By Mike DeVader
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Respect, pride and bragging rights will all be on the line Saturday in the game that athletes and fans of college football in the state of Kansas wait for every year – the Sunflower Showdown.

The Wildcats (4-4, 1-3 Big 12 Conference) make the trip to Lawrence to take on the Jayhawks with the memory of once dominating this rivalry, but in recent years – three out of four to be exact – KU has.

So with that in mind, what does the K-State-KU matchup mean to the Wildcats?

"Everything," defensive end Ian Campbell said. "It's an instate rivalry. It's saying you're the best team in the state, and it's bragging rights that I'll have the rest of my life since this is my last ballgame here playing against KU."

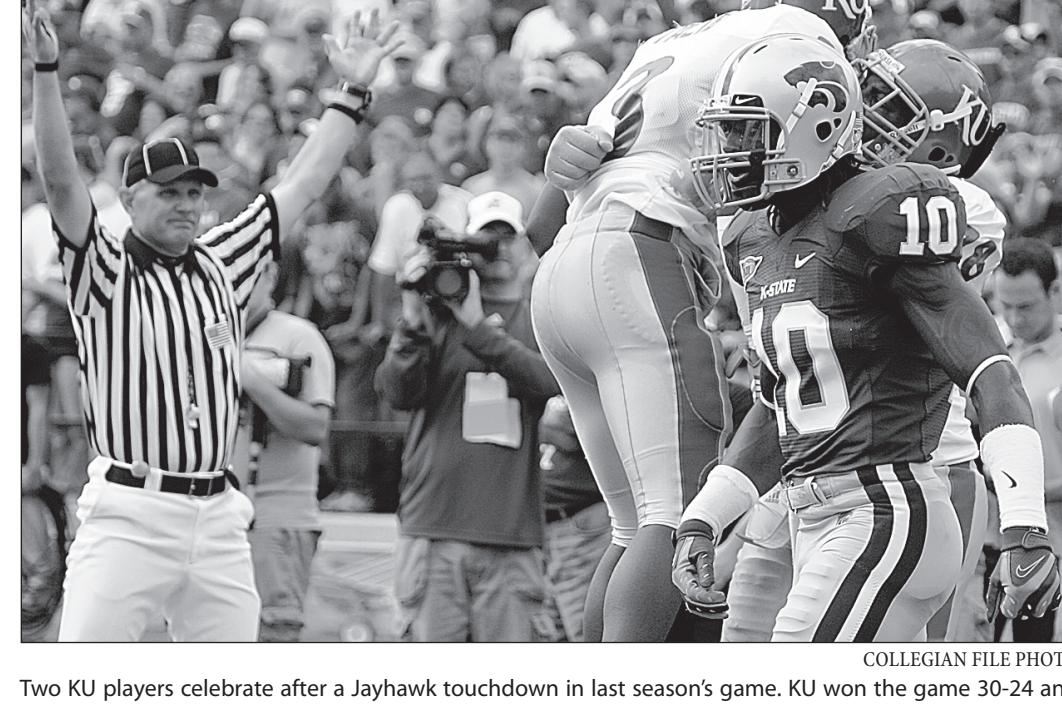
Just like many of his players, coach Ron Prince grew up in Kansas and has been around this rivalry for several years, but since he hasn't been able to play for the Governor's Cup, he said there is a different feel for him when looking ahead to this game.

"You're a kid that grows up in this state, you want to play in this game, and if you don't get to play in it, like myself, you definitely want to coach in it," Prince said.

"This is one of those games that doesn't take a whole lot of explanation."

Under coach Mark Mangino, Kansas (5-3, 2-2 Big 12) is 3-3 against the Wildcats, and he has had one of the rare opportunities of seeing what this rivalry is like from both sides of the field. He was an assistant coach for previous coach Bill Snyder.

Mangino said in his weekly conference call that he understands how important this game is for the state.

COLLEGIAN FILE PHOTO
Two KU players celebrate after a Jayhawk touchdown in last season's game. KU won the game 30-24 and has won the three out of the last four Sunflower Showdowns.

"This game has been played at times when both teams have had zero wins or one win a piece," he said. "The people in the state of Kansas still got excited about it because it was two Big 12 or Big 8 teams playing against each other."

"I look back over the years, and it doesn't matter what the records are – the fans look forward to this game," Mangino said. "I know our players are looking forward to this game."

Just like any rivalry in any sport, don't be surprised if there are a few scuffles here and there at Memorial Stadium on Saturday

morning.

"We need to win, especially against these guys," quarterback Josh Freeman said. "We don't like them, they don't like us."

However, there is still a sense of mutual respect between the two teams.

"I wouldn't say that we are going to go out and have picnic together. I wouldn't say that we like each other," Campbell said. "I have respect for their players. I think they all are very good competitors."

"I definitely have respect for what those guys do."

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Collegian looks back to 1980 presidential election

Twenty-eight years ago, one of K-State's own ran for President of the United States. This story was taken from a Spring 1980 issue of the Collegian and documented the adventures of Robert Yaeger, K-State alumnus, as he decided to run in the election.

K-STATE ALUMNUS TO RUN FOR U.S. PRESIDENCY

By Susan Tousignant

As Jimmy Carter did four years ago in the Democratic race, so will Kansas contracted Robert Yaeger attempt to capture the Republican nomination for the presidency of the United States beginning with the April 1st Kansas primary.

Yaeger is from Norton, Kan., a town of about 4,000, and is also a K-State alumnus.

He is running for president, he said, because he disagrees with the way the federal government is running the country.

He believes the government process "should revert back to states' rights: break the federal government down to size."

"I feel most strongly about big government - we're governed by bureaucracy and I don't think that is right," Yaeger said.

If elected to the executive office, Yaeger plans many changes in the structure of the federal government.

"The first thing I'm going to do is to abolish the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and then the department of Energy and then the department of Education. Any functions those agencies perform can be picked up by the states a lot more economically and a lot faster," Yaeger said.

Yaeger talked about several of this year's campaign issues, including energy - shortages and the use of nuclear energy.

"I definitely think we have an energy crisis but I don't think we have an energy shortage," he said. "We're sitting on coal reserves to last hundreds of years."

Yaeger said the public is unduly concerned about dangers concerning nuclear energy and if elected, he would favor increased population.

"I'm sure there may be a potential danger there but more people have been killed on government operated AMTRAK trains than there have been from nuclear power. There has never been a fatality [from nuclear energy]," Yaeger said.

Concerning foreign policy, Yaeger said, "I think we've come back to the same old story of 'speak softly and carry a big stick' and now Carter's got it reversed - speak hard and carry nothing."

Yaeger also criticized the Carter administration's handling of the Iranian hostage crisis.

"I believe I'd solved it 117 days ago,"

he said. "I think a stand should have been made a long time ago, now it's a countdown and Carter will probably end up apologizing for everything."

With conflict over the hostage situation and the Russian invasion of Afghanistan, Yaeger commented on the value of registration for the draft.

"I'm not opposed to registration at all -- I'm not even opposed to the draft."

Though he believes registration is necessary so people resources will be readily available, Yaeger said he wouldn't be in favor of registering or drafting women and is opposed to the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

"I don't think we need it," Yaeger said.

He said he thinks the ERA is unnecessary because of other laws concerning women's rights.

Why did he aim for the top of the political ladder?

"I think I started out at the bottom; if I

wanted to start at the top, I would have run for county commissioner."

Yaeger's campaigning has been informal with no large rallies or speeches. He says he has been talking to people and believes his hometown will support him because they back his platform.

As for campaign funds, Yaeger said, "I haven't had any fundraisers, I'm going to finance it all on my own."

Yaeger said his family is "pleased and tickled" about his campaign and are supportive.

Yaeger's daughter Susan, senior in early childhood education, said she "respects him for wanting to have a voice he feels is right."

What does Yaeger think his chances of winning are?

"Well, I don't know. No one ever heard of Jimmy Carter four years ago," he said.

— Compiled by Eric Davis

1980 PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

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New interactive game re-enacts human, zombie battle

By Amanda Keim
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Crouching behind an Anderson Hall staircase, he takes a deep breath. He was just seconds away from being spotted by a member of the undead. He ensures his bandana, signifying his "human" status, is still attached, and rises from his crouched position to go to class.

But just as he emerges from his haven, a zombie whips around and races toward him. The human reaches for his Nerf gun but isn't fast enough. He has been tagged. Reaching again for the bandana attached to his arm, the now undead wraps it around his head. He has become a zombie. It's feeding time.

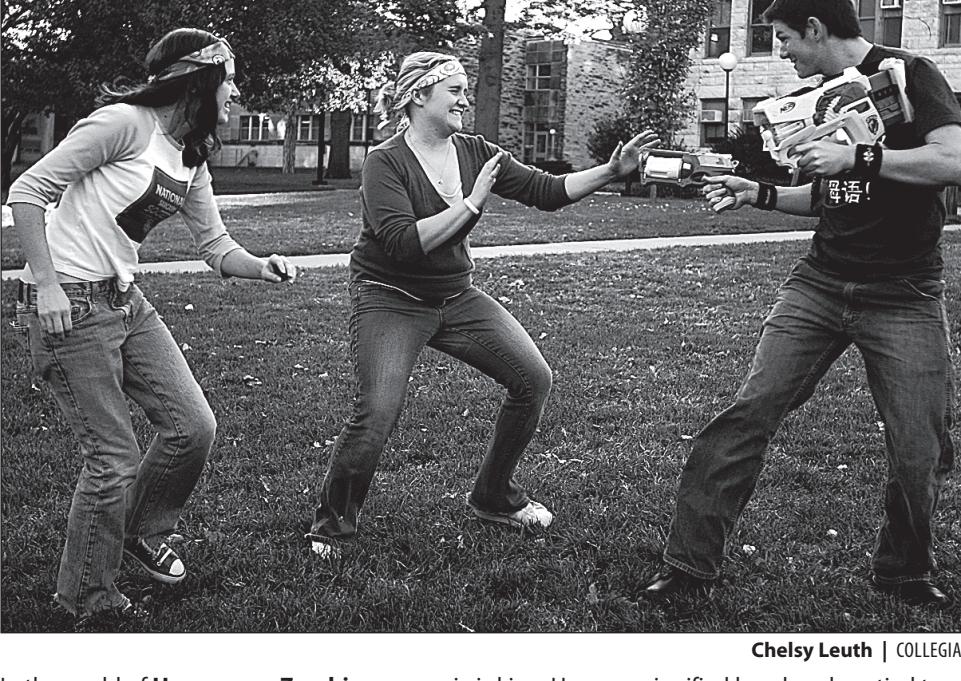
A new game is taking shape on the K-State cam-

pus. It doesn't involve dice or cards. It is a simulation of a battle between humans and zombies.

In the world of Humans vs. Zombies, paranoia is king. Humans, signified by a bandana tied to an arm are constantly on the lookout for zombies, signified by a bandana tied around the head. A zombie who tags a human before being stunned by a Nerf gun or balled sock, transforms that human into one of the undead instantly.

The game was introduced to campus by Meryl Leiber, senior in interior architecture. She heard about it from her brother who was participating in Humans vs. Zombies at Truman University in Missouri. When she introduced the idea to Smurthwaite Scholarship/Leadership House, and also a list of players,

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Diet change is right move



ADAM REICHENBERGER

I've decided I'm becoming a vegetarian. Well, kind of. Cold turkey's too beautiful a taste for me to give it up. But cow, pork, buffalo – they're all gone from the diet. Oh, and I will be eating fish.

I don't understand this, but from what I hear from the few vegetarians I know, fish is OK ... which doesn't make the least bit of sense to me. Sure, you might be able to argue that it's not meat, but how can you argue that it is a veggie? Dumb, though delicious. So turkey, fish – I guess I won't be a vegetarian, but I'm getting closer.

If you had something better to do, you wouldn't wonder why I'm going meatless, but since you're reading this, I'll assume you don't and tell you why – it's simple math really. I know five vegetarians, and I like them all. Five out of five – 100 percent.

Now, I know hundreds of meat-eaters. If there's one in there I don't like, that already drops the percentage under 100, and I assure you – though I am a peaceful person – there are a lot of people out there that just aren't that likable.

Seriously, though, the guy vegetarians I know: hilarious. The girls: all angels. Angels. It's tough to pick a better crowd, especially when one pretty much makes pancakes for me on a nightly basis. Let's call him Scott C. No, that's too obvious. Let's go with S. Capps. (I commend anyone that knows where that line's from.)

The guy makes me pancakes, keeps the fridge stocked with juice boxes and always has a fresh cup of coffee for me in the morning. Though, let's not get the idea these vegetarians are all saints. Our friend, Mr. Capps, for instance, has the deplorable habit of peeing all over the toilet seat.

If I sit in a drop of my own pee, that's one thing. Now I don't want you to think I support the idea; obviously it's regrettable and gross, but I can live with myself. A simple clean-up job, and we're good.

But to sit down on that beautiful porcelain bowl and feel the cool drop of someone else's urine on my upper thigh ... forget it. Just stop right there. I don't even want to think about it. Forget cleaning it; I'd probably just go straight for the torch and burn my thigh skin right off. Lucky for me, I've got an eye for these things, and as of yet, I still have all my skin.

Speaking of skin, I saw a mustache covering someone on campus the other day, and the guy sporting it even stopped me.

"You're that guy."

"I'm a guy. Sweet mustache."

"I'm growing it out for Halloween."

Obviously. But if you can grow that kind of mustache you owe it to the world to grow that kind of mustache. I implore you, sir: keep it.

Speaking of Halloween: Lindsay get a costume. Seriously, who doesn't dress up? I also have to say "happy birthday" to my Grandpa Earl: 85 years, two wars, two kids, and you still got a better face than me. Happy birthday, kid. Love ya.

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Twist on tradition



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Different religions, cultures mix Halloween customs with beliefs

By Shane Bishop
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One of the most plausible theories on the origin of Halloween is that the ancient Celts held an annual harvest celebration to mark the end of summer, usually a spirit-centered event.

However, people from many religious and cultural backgrounds come together to celebrate Halloween and the fall season, whether traditional or alternative.

"People indigenous to the isle of Great Britain, people of Irish descent, viewed Halloween as a time diminishing the void between the spirit world and real world," said Cien Conner, president of the Alliance for Understanding Religious Alternatives.

On that holiday, known then as "Samhain," it was believed that the dead were able to mingle with the living and that ghosts and other supernatural beings walked the earth.

"They would carve out turnips and place lights inside them, leaving offerings of food and drink, as a means of preventing spirits from haunting them," Conner said.

Those who practice Judaism don't expressly celebrate Halloween, but instead they honor the holiday called Purim.

"It is similar to Halloween in the sense that kids dress up to re-enact the character of the Purim story, but quite different from Halloween," said Mark Weiss, adviser for Hillel, the Jewish student organization. "Purim is about recounting a historical event that happened to Jews when

they were living in the Middle East."

David Margolies, member of Hillel, said children also visit the elderly and the ill, brightening up their day and sharing laughter with them. They bring them food and drinks and collect "tzedakah," or donations for charity.

Ryan Hayden, senior pastor of University Christian Church, offered his additional historical insight.

"Philosophically, Halloween was a time to scare away evil spirits by wearing something deemed scary," Hayden said. "That's kind of funny, since I suspect demons were not scared of the costumes a few hundred years ago any more than they would be now. In principle, Halloween almost makes fun of Satanic power."

However, some religions, like Islam, do not prefer its members to celebrate Halloween at all.

"It is not [forbidden], but it is not encouraged," said Ibrahim Saleh, treasurer of the Islamic Center of Manhattan. "Our prophet Mohammed emphasized that we should only celebrate our religious holidays. It is better to avoid it."

"It is really important to explain to our children – when our kids go out and celebrate – that they know it is not a Muslim

holiday, as it has nothing to do with our religion."

Other traditional Halloween events like trick-or-treating are rooted in historical customs.

For example, during "Samhain," early Christians would go from village to village begging for "soul cakes" made out of

square pieces of bread. It was believed in this practice – called "souling" – that the more cakes you gave, the more prayers would be said for dead relatives, expediting their ascent into heaven. Irish children would also carve potatoes and light them up, in commemoration of Jack, an Irish villain so wicked neither the devil nor God wanted him.

The word Halloween, however, comes from the Catholic Church.

"For Catholics, Halloween is the eve of 'All Saints Day' and we encourage our kids to dress up as saints and know their stories," said Rosie Rundell, pastor of associate at Seven Dolors Elementary School in Manhattan. "We celebrate with [Catholic] mass on November 1st, it is a holy day of obligation in honor of saints."

Whether or not you celebrate Halloween, there are several alternative events taking place in Manhattan Friday.

EPA, UPS JOIN TO LAUNCH ECO-FRIENDLY HYBRID TRUCKS



Brown is going green. Embracing technology developed by federal engineers, UPS will order a handful of new delivery trucks powered by a hydraulic hybrid system that saves fuel and cuts carbon emissions.

The Environmental Protection Agency holds many of the patents on the innovative technology, which was developed in an EPA fuel-emissions lab in Ann Arbor, Mich., with the help of engineers from Eaton Corp., which designs hydraulic systems.

"This vehicle to my right may look like a brown package truck that you'd see every day in your neighborhood," said UPS Chief Operating Officer David Abney, standing beside a prototype of the hybrid truck at a news conference Monday. "But underneath the hood is a whole different kind of technology."

The trucks combine a diesel engine with a unique hydraulic propulsion system that replaces the conventional drivetrain and transmission. Using hydraulic pumps and storage tanks, the vehicle captures

tential security risks has irked many users of Windows Vista.

"We had all the best intentions of helping to secure the PC platform even more, particularly for novice PC users who needed to be protected," said Steven Sinofsky, a senior vice president in Microsoft's Windows group.

Sinofsky didn't back down from the major changes in Vista responsible for the rise in alerts, but he did acknowledge that Microsoft needed to work earlier and more closely with outside companies to avoid a similar mess in Windows 7.

"Despite the difficult change we introduced, we did move forward the ecosystem, making it more secure for end users," he said.

With Vista, Microsoft made some significant design changes to the way

windows and icons look, and also to where certain features and functions are stashed in the system.

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FRENCH SCIENTIST UNVEILS ARTIFICIAL HEART



French scientists have unveiled a working prototype of a fully artificial heart that is based on the technology of satellites and airplanes.

The device could save millions of lives and beats almost exactly like the real thing using electronic sensors to regulate heart rate and blood flow.

Developers Carmat, funded by the European space and defense group EADS, presented the device at a press conference in Paris on Monday.

Carmat's chief operating officer Patrick Coulombier told The Associated Press: "It's the same principle in the airplane as in the body."

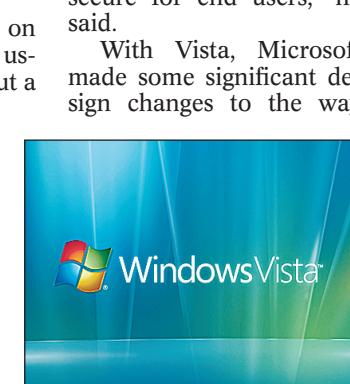
Coulombier explained that the same tiny sensors that measure air pressure and altitude in an airplane or satellite are also in the artificial heart. This should allow the device to respond

immediately if the patient needs more or less blood.

The French design has so far only been tested in

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MICROSOFT TO UNVEIL WINDOWS 7 BETA VERSION



Microsoft Corp. said on Tuesday that regular PC users will be able to test out a "beta" version of Windows early next year.

Windows 7, the forthcoming operating system, will let users choose to see fewer alerts and warnings from their computers. Rampant notifications and pop-up windows alerting people to po-

animals, and now needs approval from its authorities before pushing ahead with clinical trials.

Previous artificial hearts have been unable to automatically vary their pumping speed and must be tweaked externally.

The French heart is also the most lifelike, with two pumps to send the blood into the lungs and the rest of the body, just like a real heart. Past artificial hearts have only had one pump.

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ZOMBIE | Student writes KSU missions

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their affiliations (i.e. zombie or human), recent kills and last feeding time, or tagging of a human.

According to the site, only the initial zombie, who begins game play, can wear a bandana on his or her arm. Anyone who leaves campus for more than 24 hours is dismissed from the game.

With these descriptive rules and 24/7 game play, Dudte said it is vital for players to remain fully involved.

"[I recommend this game to] people that like to have fun," Dudte said. "A lot of times we get people that like to play video games because it's kind of like a real life video game. People need to have a lot of

imagination to play."

Average game play lasts seven to 10 days and "missions" are held during the week at 9 p.m. in order to encourage interaction between players and move the game along, said Dudte.

All of the game's missions are written by Jesse Riggs, junior in mass communications. Once the objective of the mission is met, a reward is given to the winning team.

"As a zombie, I've hidden in a dumpster to avoid being stunned," Dudte said. "It was part of a mission."

Dudte said Humans vs. Zombies will occur once each semester. Anyone interested can join the Facebook group, Humans v Zombies KSU Chapter, or access kansas.hvzsource.com.

WEFALD | Award winners still involved

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business pursuits. Most are involved in supporting K-State and CBA students, faculty and programs.

Graham, a K-State alum, said receiving this award was a tremendous honor.

"Being recognized by peers and University leaders for whom you have utmost respect means a great deal after a long career in business," Graham said.

He said he is pleased that Wefald received the

award as well, and credited K-State's returned prominence in academics and athletics to Wefald's direction.

Kansas State is an institution of higher learning, but it is also a business enterprise in that we have a fiduciary responsibility to our stakeholders, the Kansas taxpayers and our donors," Ebadi said. "Under Wefald's direction, K-State has become a nationally recognized university in the areas of academics, research and athletics."

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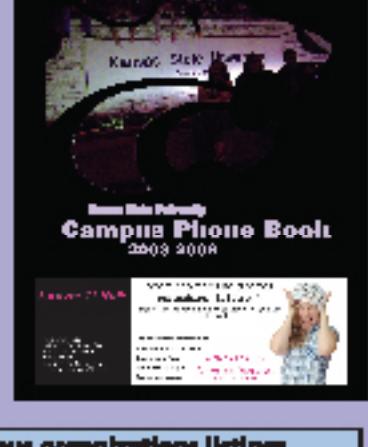
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Stephen Wiemers, junior in management information, and **Jonathan Dokos**, junior in management, provide cover fire for his unit in a "React to Contact" drill for his Military Science Class 301. The students were learning standard Army protocol for coming in-contact with hostiles in the field.

LAUGH | 13 comics advance to next round

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door as the show started.

"I'm so happy with the turnout," said Shawn Rock, who also hosted the show. "I think a lot of people in Aggierville are ready for something different like this."

Mary Renee, a former K-State student, was one of the crowds favorites comedians. She is a comedy veteran in Manhattan and has opened for Tracy Morgan at a Union Program Council event, and hosts Rocky

Horror Picture shows in Manhattan.

"This is a lot different because you get eliminated," she said. "There's a little more pressure than the other things I do."

Renee said she had never performed at KatHouse but had watched comedy there before. She said the bar supports comedy well.

"I think I did pretty well, and I think the crowd is pretty good," Renee said. "There is an amazing number of people here. For a Wednesday night, it is a very good crowd."

The group of five judges included local stand-up comedian, Tom Mahoney, two local radio show hosts, and a representative from K-State Athletics.

The comedians who survived the first round of Last Laugh will perform again at 9 p.m. Wednesday at KatHouse. Four more comedians will be eliminated after that show.

The final round of the competition is scheduled for Nov. 19.

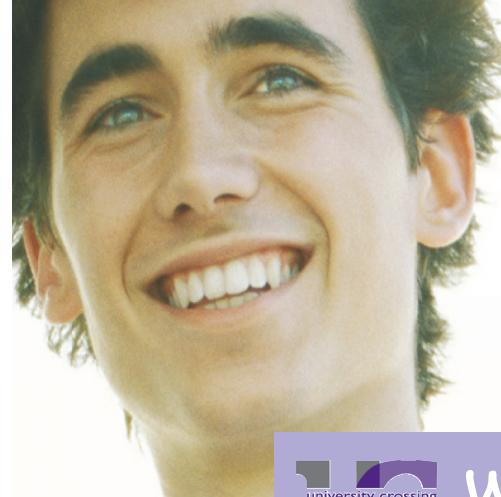
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